

EMS TRAINING PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION MANUAL

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Title: Authorized Transitional ALS Certification Course Descriptions		
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- A. The two (2) Transitional Advanced Life Support Training Programs authorized for issuance of certification in Virginia are described as follows:
1. The EMT-Shock Trauma certification level allows use of specified ALS knowledge and skills in areas of the state that do not have the capability or desire to provide EMT-Cardiac, EMT-Intermediate or EMT-Paramedic level care or who desire to train personnel to supplement the practice of higher trained personnel. The course provides training for certified EMTs and prepares them to function in an emergency medical situation by providing the basic knowledge and understanding of Advanced Life Support decision making and the appropriate use of limited ALS skills. This program does not include the full range of didactic knowledge and skills of an EMT-Enhanced.
 2. The EMT-Cardiac certification level allows use of specified ALS knowledge and skills in areas of the state that do not have the capability or desire to provide EMT-Paramedic level care. This program does not include the full range of didactic knowledge and skills of an EMT-Intermediate.
- B. The EMT-Shock Trauma curriculum will be the Virginia Advanced Life Support Curriculum for Shock Trauma and Cardiac(1990 edition) as approved by the Office.
- C. The EMT- Cardiac curriculum will be the Virginia Advanced Life Support Curriculum for Shock Trauma and Cardiac(1990 edition) as approved by the Office.
- D. Successful completion of the EMT-Shock Trauma and EMT-Cardiac courses will require the successful completion of in-course skills assessment examination created and administered by the Course Coordinator with approval by the program's Physician Course Director. The program's Physician Course Director will make final decisions on each student's final course completion.
- E. Final certification for the EMT-Shock Trauma and EMT-Cardiac courses will be awarded upon successful completion of written examinations created and administered by the Office.